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Re: Application of Takashi ECHIGO and Ritsuko OHNO
COMPOSITION AND METHOD FOR TREATING A POROUS ARTICLE AND USE THEREOF
Our Reference: Q54629
PCT/JP97/03798, filed October 21, 1997

Dear Sir:

Applicants herewith submit the attached papers for the purpose of entering the National stage under 35 U.S.C. § 371 and in accordance with Chapter II of the Patent Cooperation Treaty. Attached hereto is the application identified above which is a translation of PCT International Application No. PCT/JP97/03798, filed October 21, 1997, comprising the specification, claims, one (1) sheet of drawings, executed Declaration and Power of Attorney, foreign language International Preliminary Examination Report, International Search Report, executed Assignment and PTO Form 1595.

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Checks for the statutory filing fee of \$ 1,442.00 and Assignment recordation fee of \$ 40.00 are attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from:

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The Office is invited to contact the above firm on any question which might arise on the above-named application. Any contact that the Office might need to make should be directed to the undersigned at (202)293-7060.

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